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### SHOR'I. 3CARED.

Yorkers Caught in a Squeeze Caused by the Villard-Smith Fight.

"Shorts" Thought the Stock Would Ease Up But Made a Miscalculation.

umph, But the Smith Faction Do Not Admit Defeat.

NEW YORK, May 18.-The stock market opened to-day with a moderate volume of business, with Oregon Transcontinental up per cent. The squeeze of the shorts in that stock still kept the chief interest in it, and immediately after the opening it be gan to rise rapidly and touched fifty-five an advance of 20 per cent. from last even ing's price. From this there was a recession even more rapid than the advance, and the starting point was reached on the back track in less ten minutes. At the highest figure there was a flood of stock offered, and the price dropped 5 per cent. at a time to forty. It later sold at thirtynine, but there was a demand for many many thousand shares at that figure, and it quickly moved back to forty-three, and at the close sold at forty-two. The unlooked for discovery of a big short interest in Oregon Transcontinental made the brokers anxious about short accounts in other stocks, and fears were everywhere expressed that the entire market was heavily oversold. This feeling was increased by the course of St. Paul preferred, which advanced 2 per cent. on an attempt to cover short stock. The buying fever extended to Atchison, and orders to cover shorts in that stock caused it to advance sharply. Burlington moved up 2 per cent. and Rock Island followed. The entire bear contingent left the street anxious about the future, and they wait for Monday's opening with for any trembling.

with fear and trembling. At the Villard office everything appeared very quiet, in marked contrast to the excitement at the stock exchange. Villard was not down and his private secretary explained the excitement on the street was an outside matter with which Villard had nothing to do. The fight for the control of the stock at the election is over, and Villard has 201,700 shares out of a total of 400,000.

has 201,700 shares out of a total of 400,000. He adds that there will be nothing new in the affairs of the company until the election at Portland, Ore., in June.

The other party, to which belong Elijah Smith. Sydney Dillon, Frederick L. Ames and other well known men, claim they hold a majority of the stock; that Villard cannot possibly vote 201,000 shares unless he has issued some of the remainder of the \$10,000,000 of treasury stock, in spite of the injunction. The opposition issued a joint call for proxies this morning and stated their policy would be in favor of an amicable arrangement with the Northern Pacific, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba and Union Pacific including the connecting line, the Oregon Railway & Navigation company.

The Evening Post says the corner was undoubtedly brought about unintentially and that the contest for the control of the Transcontinental was responsible for it. Many of the biggest houses in the street thought that when buying for control was over the price would fall back, and they considered selling it for delivery after the closing of the books a safe speculation. This is what they did and they now find that all the floating stock has been bought for election purposes, and the owners of it do not intend to part with it at present. The shorts, in fact, cornered themselves.

THE WRONG MAN.

Fatal Mistake of an Infuriated Mob at Joliet, Illinois.

JOLIET, Ill., May 18 .- A man named Barry Koehler, while crazy with drink, ran amuck through the streets of the city last night. In his course he shot and seriously wounded Miss Della Hart. A crowd gathered and began to search for him among some freight cars. Just then a freight train moved past and at an open The crowd yelled out that it was Koehler and an excited policeman fired at him, inflicting a fatal wound. Then it was dis-covered that the wounded man was not Koehler, but William Hansen, of Chicago, on his way to Oklahoma. Koehler was captured this morning.

Caused by Poor Collections. PHILADELPHIA, May 18.-The Almy

Manufacturing company, manufacturers of ladies fine cloths, have made an assignment of the company's mills. The company is among the largest in the Kensington district, employing 400 hands. It is expected the embarrassment will be only temporary. Liabilities, \$200,000; assets, \$370,000. Poor collections caused the em-

A Well of Pure Turpentine. SAVANNA, Ga., May 18 .- It is reported from Laurens county a well has been found there from which pure spirits of turpentine is drawn. The well is sixty feet deep and it is claimed fifteen barrels of turpentine were drawn from it at one time. The question is whether it is a natural reservoir or whether the well has been "salted" with manufactured products.

NEW YORK, May 18 .- A special autopsy on the body of Washington Irving Bishop, the mind reader, was made to-day. Dr. Ferguson who made the original autopsy, which the man's wife and mother assert caused his death, was present. The ex-amination so far as was possible to be made to-day did not reveal the cause of

Gotham News Notes. NEW YORK, May 18 .- The members of the Presbyterian general assembly went

to-day on an excursion. Capt. James Custer, Third artillery, sta-tioned at Governor's Island, became vio-lently insane on the street this morning and was turned over to the military au-

Laid the Foundation Stone LONDON, May 18 .- The queen to-day laid the foundation stone of the new college building at Eton. The boys attending the college presented her majesty with an address, to which the queen replied.

### DIAMOND AND TRACK

League and Association Games--Standing of Clubs to Date--The Races,

PHILADELPHIA, May 18 .- The visitors were again defeated by Philadelphia this afternoon in a well contested game. Both pitchers were hit hard, but Buffinton was more effective when men were on bases. Philadelphia's fielding was perfect. Attendance, 7,500. Score-Philadelphia, 5; Indianapolis, 4. The batteries were: For Philadelphia, Buffinton and Clements; for Indianapolis, Boyle and Myers.

Washington, May 18.—Eleven innings was necessary to decide the game to-day and the Chicagos won on Ryan's single base on balls and two sacrifice hits. Interest was at fever heat all through the contest, and the two clubs forged ahead of each other four times. Van Haltren's work in all respects was the feature. Score—Washington, 13; Chicago, 14. The batteries were: For Washington, Hoddock and Ebright; for Chicago, Gumbert, Dwyer and

NEW YORK, May 18.—The Giants were leaten by Pittsburg this afternoon after a lively and sharply played game. Poor base running by O'Reurke and Whitney and a bungling play by Ward did much to lose the game. Score—New York, 2; Pittsburg, 3. The batteries were for New York, Weller and Brown, for Pittsburg Stabey and Miller.

A GOOD GAME. Boston, May 18 -Good batting and fielding characterized the game this afternoon between the Boston and Cleveland clubs. Score—Boston, 10; Cleveland, 8. The batteries were, for Boston, Clarkson and Bennett; for Cleveland, O'Brien and Zimmer.

Standing of League	Clut	s To	Date.
	WON.	LOST.	PER CENT
Boeton	14	5	787
Philadelphia	13	. 6	684
New York	- 11	9	550
Chicago	11	10	524
Clev-land	11	12	478
Pitteburg	9	13	409
indianapolis	8	13	381
Washington	4	13	235

At Louisville-Columbus, 3; Louisville, 4.
At Cincinnati—Cincinnati, 7: Baltimore,

At St. Louis-St. Louis, 3; Brooklyn, 5. At Kansas City-Kansas City, 15; Ath-

Races at Gravesend. NEW YORK, May 18 .- At Gravesend today the was cool, attendance very large,

track good. One mile-Sam Wood won in 1:4214, Long Island second, Madstone third. One mile-Tides won in 1:42, Carnegie

second, Paragon third.
Five-eighths of a mile—Ballarat won in 1:02½, Lida second, Houston third.
One mile and a quarter—Cynosure won in 2:10½. Carroll second Zenburge third. in 2:10%, Carroll second, Zephyrus third.
Five-eighths of a mite—Urbana won in
1:08%, Folly second, Kenwood third.
Three fourths of a mile—Ban Cloch won in 1:1414. Tattler second, Stonington third.

Last Day al Louisville. Louisville, May 18.-This was the closing day of the Louisville Jockey Club races. Weather fine, attendance large and track excellent.

All ages, one mile-Valuable won, Tenacity second, Probus third. Time 1:43. All ages, one and one-fourth miles— Badge won, Montrose second, Loomis and

Badge won, Montrose second, Loomis and Bell third. Time 2:09½. Seven furlongs—Bravo won, Bridgelight second, Amosa third, Time 1:30¼. Three years and upwards, six furlongs— Tudor won, Bonita Bell second, Charles Bee third. Time 1.16%.

Reading the Winner. CHICAGO, May 18 .- The sixth day of the bicycle contest closed to-night. It was won by Ned Reading, of the Twenty-second infantry, Fort Omaha, Neb. The fina! score is as follows: Reading, 685 miles and 4 laps; Knappe, Denver, 685 miles and 3 laps; John S. Prince, Omaha. 685 miles Morgan, England. 685 miles and 2 laps; Albert Schock, Chicago, 678 miles and 2

McAuliffe and Myers NEW YORK, May 18.-McAuliffe has covered Myers' forfeit for another fight to door of one of the cars a man was seen. a finish for the championship. Myers proposes that the fight be near New York or under the auspices of one of the Cali fornia athletic clubs.

> Terrible Storm in Texas. St. Louis, May 18 .- A storm of a cyclonic character swept across Northern Texas yesterday afternoon. At Forest City, Montague county, a schoolhouse was destroyed and two children were killed. Many were seriously hurt, and three are missing. Another schoolhouse at Stephens-ville was blown down and two children injured. Great destruction of crops occurred and telegraph communication is broken. It is feared when news comes many more lives will be reported lost.

The Plot Against the Czar. London, May 18 .- Advices from St. Petersburg say it has been discovered that the conspiracy among the military officials against the czar recently unearthed has many widespread ramifications. Officers of regiments stationed in Moscow and Warsaw are implicated in the plot. Three of them committed suicide. A bomb was found in the quarters of one of the officers in Warsaw. Hundreds of conspirators have been arrested. The discovery of the plot completely unnerved the czarina.

Receiver of the Chicago & Atlaniic. CHICAGO, May 18 .- Judge Gresham, of the federal court, has appointed V. T. Malott receiver of the Chicago & Atlantic CINCINNATI, May 18.—A receiver was appointed this morning for the Waldaner Electric and Magnetic Brake company, with a capital stock of \$600,000.

QUEENSTOWN, May 18 .- The steamer Emiliano, from New Orleans, has arrived with cotton on fire and the main holds burning. It has been burning for two days. It was found necessary to jettison

How the Banks Stand. NEW YORK, May 18 .- The weekly bank statement shows the following changes: Reserve increase, \$5,231,750; specie increase, \$3,459,300. The banks now hold \$14,204,825 in excess of the rule.

### ACROSS THE POND.

The Work of the Samoan Commis-

sion Not Likely to Continue Much Longer. Samoa's Future Government as Reported to Have Been Agreed

> a Representative in the Government-Tne Strikes.

Upon by the Powers.

Copyrighted, 1889, by the N. Y. Associated Press. BERLIN, May 18 .- The fourth session of the Samoan conference was held yesterday. The meeting was called to order shortly after 2 o'clock by Herbert Bismarck, who has presided at all the meetings, in accordance with the established custom that the highest representative of the government of the country in which the conference is held shall preside. The proceedings were almost entirely formal. They consisted chiefly in listening to reof various sub-committees ports had been holding daily sessions ever since the conference met. At these meetings the real work of the conference has been transacted, and as nearly as can be learned the American commissioners have succeeded in carrying every important point they set out to ob-tain. Indeed, so prevalent is this feeling in Berlin, that the Berlin press and other influential papers in Germany complain of the success of the Americans. While the greatest secreey in regard to the proceedings is maintained, and heretofore nothing much beyond the fact that meetings have been held was known, it can now be stated that excepting the question of indemnity for German sailors killed and beheaded by the Samoans, and one or two other minor points of work, the commission is over. It is thought the restroration of Malietoa to power is assured and that the plan of a tripartate government in Samoa, for which the American commissioners contested

power is assured and that the plan of a tripartate government in Samoa, for which the American commissioners contested against the German plan for one representative selected by the three powers, will surely be put into effect. It is also more than likely that the commission has decided in favor of the absolute independence of Samoa, as soon as the people there demonstrate their ability to go alone. The indemnity question is yet to come up. It may prolong the meetings some weeks, but this is believed to be the only part on which there is likely to be serious contests. The question of Klein's connection with the affair in which German sailors were killed has never come up, nor is there any likelihood of its doing so; neither will the commission hear testimony of any kind. During the past meetings of the conference and committees the only points of difference has been between the German and American committees. The attitude of the English members being neutral. Their influence generally, has been cast with a view of settling the question as expeditiously as possible. They have, however, been strongly in favor of having a Protestant for king of Samoa, which is thought to indicate their preference for Malietoa, who was trained in an English Protestart college.

The most important work of the confer-

The most important work of the conference has been done by what is known as the working committee, consisting of Dr. Krauel, assistant secretary of state for Germany, and Scott and Bates, and to which Crowe and Phelps were added as advisers. The first-named on account of his long experience in British commercial affairs, and the last-named on account of his long experience with the affairs, and the last-named on account of his long experience in America with the tariff and in establishing a government out of discordant elements in Louisiana. The duty of this committee has been the prepa-ration of material for the general confer-ence. In this class was the plan to settle disputes concerning land titles in Samoa. The German, French and American inhab-tions of Samoa have been according land itants of Samoa have been acquiring land so ast in Apia that little remains for the natives, and it is claimed their titles in many cases are do ub ful. as the land was given to them by irresponsible natives in exchange for liquor and trifles. This committee was also entrusted with the work of settling the form of government at Apia.

It is rumored the plan agreed upon is that America, Germany and England shall each appoint a representative and that three more members of the board of control shall more members of the board of control shall be chosen by the ratepayers. No liquor shall be sold to natives, although foreigners can have such stores as they choose in their private houses. Fire arms are only to be sold to the government and then only under certain restrictions, which prevents their use except for keeping peace. A plan for giving the Samoans their revenues has also been devised, which provides for the re-establishment of their right to impose import and export

which provides for the re-establishment of their right to impose import and export duties, which right is taken from them by the existing Samoan treaty. It is understood the representatives of the three governments have expressed confidence of being able to obtain from their government this concession to help the Samoans.

The emperor is impatient at the delay in bringing about peace between the miners and the employers, and has directed the president of Westphalia to convey to the mining companies his desire to accelerate a compromise. Dr. Hintzpeter, who is now by command of the emperor, making a tour of the strike districts in order to hear both sides, is charged to warn the mine both sides, is charged to warn the mine owners that the government will resent their action if they refuse to grant the essential claims of the men. The power of the government to make the employers feel the weight of its displeasure lies at hand. The mine owners have obtained during re-The mine owners have obtained during recent years many favors; they have secured special tariffs throughout Germany and have been granted low freight rates to Hamburg, Bremen, Belgium and Holland in order to enable them to compete with the English coal. These privileges are readily assailable if the companies are contumacious. While the state of the mines is most prosperous, the condition of the men is yearly more wretched. Public feeling is becoming more and more pronounced in favor of the men.

Funeral of Thorndyke Rice. NEW YORK, May 18 .- The funeral of Allen Thorndyke Rice took place at Grace church this morning. The pall bearers were Vice President Levi P. Morton and Walker Blaine, representing the department of state, General W. T. Sherman, ex-Mayor Edward Cooper, L. Pierre Lorillard, Chauncey M. Depew, T. H. Olin, William Gay, William P. Douglass and W. A. Storr. Among the gifts of flowers was one from President and Mrs. Harrison. The service was the regular burial service of the Epis-copal church. Bishop Potter officiated, as-sisted by Rev. Dr. Huntington, rector of Grace church.

Wissman's Plans.

PHILIPSBURG SCORCHED.

Three Buildings Destroyed Entailing Loss of Five Thousand Dollars.

Independent. ]-About 1:80 o'clock this afternoon a fire broke out in Scott's boarding house at Kirkville, a southern suburb of Philipsburg, distant about a quarter of a mile and near the site of the new Bi-Metalic mill. In a short time two other Found in a Room at the St. Nicholas buildings adjoining were in flames. The fire originated through the parting of the stovepive in Scott's house, which in a short time after was all ablaze. The fire rapidly took hold of Grant's boarding house on the east and soon after the American Exchange adjoining was on fire.

In a short time all three were a total loss. The Scott House was a two-stery and the other two were one-story frame buildings. A quantity of lumber belonging to the Philipsburg Lumber company was also destroved. The greater part of the contents of the buildings were saved, though the clothing and other effects of a number of men employed in the mill were lost. A bunk house in rear of the Scott House was destroyed. The loss is variously estimated at from \$4,000 to \$5,000, on which there is no insurance. Mr. Barnes, of the American Exchange saloon, saved his stock of liquors and before the fire had quit burning had his sign up and was doing business a short distance from the scene. Scott's stable, in the vicinity, caught fire, but was eventually saved.

GREAT DAY FOR DEER LODGE.

Fifth Annual Session of the Knights o Pythias Grand Lodge. DEER LODGE, May 18 .- [Special to the Independent. ]-The fifth annual session of the grand lodge Knights of Pythias, will convene in Deer Lodge Tuesday next, May The local brethren are making extensive preparations for the reception of the visiting Knights and other visitors, and on the afternoon of Wednesday there will be a grand parade, consisting of the grand lodge, subordinate lodge and Lilley Rank, headed by the Boston Montana band (formerly the National Guards band) and under escort of Joe Dawdall division No. 3. They expect a good turnout from Butte, Helena and other points. Several companies of the Montana militia are also expected to be present. In the evening a grand ball will be given in honor of the grand lodge, for which Burt's orchestra has been engaged. There will be a special train from Butte, returning after the ball. It will be a great day for Deer Lodge.

GREAT FALLS NOTES.

ss Before the Court-A Pass for Railroad.

GREAT FALLS, May 18 .- | Special to the Independent]-The lawyers and court officials are preparing actively for the term of court which Judge Bach will open on Monday. The libel sut of Ray against the Mr. Stevens, at 390 Montgomery street, Tribune has been dismissed at the instance | room 3 " of the plaintiff's attorney. The criminal

docket is light. Judge Dyas has received from Chestnut Valley two wolf cubs. The sportsmen dug into the den and killed th two other cubs. They found in the den the body of a large calf, which the welf had hauled in to serve as a square meal. Lieut. Ahern has returned from his explorations in the Rocky Mountains. He reports that there is a pass which would serve for any railroad that may be built from here to the Pacific coast.

A TIE IN CHOTEAU.

Minority Candidates in the Second District

Have the Same Vote. FORT BENTON, May 18 .- [Special to the Independent.]-Latest returns from outside precincts give the following result: Conrad, 324; Brown, 293; Peck, 216; Mitchell, 216. It is claimed that these complete the returns, as no polls were opened at the remaining precincts. If the official count confirms the above result, many are wondering how the tie between Peck and Mitchell will be decided.

District No. 12.

Gloster-Mayger, 13; Ford, 13; Gillette, 1; Burns, 1. Valley-Mayger, 10; Ford, 11; Gillette, 9; Burns, 9; Ralston, 2. Dearborn Canyon-Ford, 0; Mayger, 0; Gillette, 10; Burns, 0; Ralston, 10. Hogan-Ford, 6; Mayger, 0; Gillette, 6; Burns, 2; Ralston.

The vote as far as heard from in this district is as follows: Ford, D 173; Mayger, D 227; Gillette, R 221; Burns, R 282; Ralston, Ind. 254. The precincts yet to hear from are, Canyon Creek, Mitchell's Ranch, Middle Fork of Dearborn Basin, Stemple, Mission, Sun River, Leavings and Willow Creek. It is supposed that in some of the above precincts no polls were opened.

Butte Copper Miners Not Uneasy.

BUTTE, May 18 .- [Special to the Independent. ]-The past week has been a quiet one in mining circles here. The mines have run as usual and the rumors of deals have had no effect on the operations of the copper giants. It is generally accepted as a fact now that there is an understanding between the American copper producers which will prevent copper from going below twelve cents for lake, which means from 111/4 to 111/4 cents for Butte copper. At such figures it may be relied upon there will be no relaxation of copper operations

Charged with Blackmail.

CHICAGO, May 18 .- John S. Cosgrove and his wife Annie were arrested by the federal authorities on complaint of C. S. Smith. of Los Angeles, Cal., charged with using the mails for the purpose of blackmail. The authorities decline to give the particulars, but say that the case is an important

No Use for Drunkards. INDIANAPOLIS, May 18 .- The Supreme Lodge of the Knights of Honor to-day decided that hereafter benefits shall not be paid to the heirs of members who commit ZANZIBAR, May 18.—Capt. Wissman suicide, and subordinate lodges were instructed to rid themselves of habitual drunkards and all other characters addicted to vicious habits that hasten death.

## TIRED OF LIVING.

PHILIPSBURG, May 18 .- [Special to the Another Suicide in the Silver Camp, This Time That of a Young Woman

> With a Bullet Hole Through Her Head.

The Act Premeditated, as Shown by Directions Left for the Undertaker for Her Burial.

BUTTE, May 18 .- [Special to the Inde-

pendent. ]-A mysterious suicide was dis-

covered in the St. Nicholas hotel this afternoon at 1:30. On Thursday morning a young woman 28 or 29 years of age arrived at the hotel from the south. She registered as Mrs. A. Sanderson, of Oakland, Cala. She was a very attractive looking young woman, of about medium size, with brown hair and blue eyes. She was assigned to room No. 12 and her conduct was such as not to attract any particular attention. No one knows where nor how she spent Thursday. She was seen to leave the hotel yesterday morning at 10 o'clock. She seat down for her breakfast and it was carried to her room. This was the last time she was seen anve. Late in the afternoon a servant attempted to enter her room to put it in order, but the door was lock and the key was in the lock. Thinking the inmate was sleeping, no further attempt was made to enter the room until this morning. Repeated attempts to get a response from the inside proved futile, and finally a porter got a chair and looked over the transom, He saw the woman lying on on the bed, full dressed, with the except on of her shoes and stockings, which had been removed. He could distinguish blood upon her face. The door of the room was forced and the woman was found quite dead, having evidently expired at least several hours before. A Smith & Wesson 38calibre revolver lying by her side on the bed told the sad story of suicide. Sitting on the bed, she had fired a bullet into her right temple, which passed clear through her head. She died without a struggle and with but little loss of blood.

The coroner was at once notified, and made an investigation. Two notes were left on the bureau in sealed envelopes. One of them was addressed to the proprietor of the hotel, and read thus: "Enclosed you will find \$10 for two days' rent." The other note was addressed to the undertaker, and its contents were as follows: "In my bosom you will find \$85. My right name is Alice Stevens. I was born and reared in San Francisco. I left there three weeks ago yesterday. Send a telegram to

The money was found as directed, and the telegram was sent as requested, but no answer has yet been received.

New Baptist College. Boston, May 18 - The American Baptist here this afternoon and evening. The treasurer in his report said it had been de-Educational society held its annual meeting cided to establish an institution of learning in Chicago, and it was proposed to raise \$1,000,000 for this purpose before raise \$1.000,000 for this purpose before June, 1899. The secretary announced he had in his hand a letter from John D. Rockefeller offering \$600,000, and one from C. Hinckely, of Chicago, offering \$50,000 to they had to raise only \$350,000 of the \$1,000,000 necessary. A ter the adoption of a vote of thanks to Rockfeller for his gift, officers were elected as follows: President, Francis Wayland, Connecticut; vice presidents, George A. Pilsbury, Minnesota, W. B. Ely. Missouri; secretary, Lansing Burrows, Georgia; corresponding secretary, F. T. Gates, Wisconsin; treasurer, Joshua Lovering, Maryland; auditor, Colgate Hoyt, New York

The Conductors.

DENVER, May 18 .- The election of officers at to-day's session of the conductors' convention was the principal busines; The following ticket was chosen: Assistant grand chief conductor, C. H. Wilkins, of Chicago; grand senior con wilkins, of Chicago; grand senior conductor, E. E. Clark, of Ogden, Utah; grand junior conductor, F. Silvernail, of Denver; grand outside sentinel, P. J. Collins, of Alabama, grand inside sentinel, W. Mundy, of Ontario; member of the executive committee for the next three years, M. Clancy, of Scranton.Pa; member of the insurance committee for the same time, W. J. Durbin, of Milwaukee. It was decided to hold the next session at Rochester, N. to hold the next session at Rochester, N.

The Cattle Deal Fixed. NEW YORK, May 18 .- At a meeting of representatives of the American Meat company and the American Cattle Trust this afternoon the deal between the two concerns was finally consummated. A contract for a term of years was signed by the contracting parties by which the meat company will handle the entire product of the cattle trust. Senator Dorsey, of the meat company, preferred not to mention the details, but said the two organizations had been consolidated. "We have effected a traffic agreement," he added, "which practically makes the American Meat company agent of the American Cattle Trust."

Mormon's Must Move On.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., May 18 .- A flourishing Mormon church in Clay county has been broken up by indignant citizens of the neighborhood and the elders in charge of it have been warned to leave the county without delay. The Mormon elders have been proselyting in that county for five years and have made many converts. They established a church about a year ago and have been holding regular services since. Most of the elders have left and the others will follow. They carry most of their converts with them.

The Patent Signed. WASHINGTON, May 18 .- The president to-day signed a patent for the Cœur d'Alene Mission claim in Idaho territory, containing 640 acres, in favor of Joseph M. Cotaldo, superior general of the Rocky Mountain Mission of the Society of Jesus. The case has been pending in the general land office for the last ten years.